

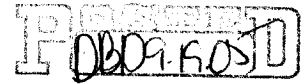
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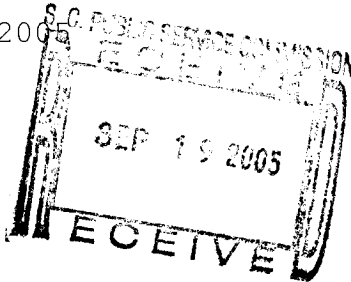
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September 15, 2005



The Honorable Charles L. A. Terreni
Chief Clerk/Administrator for
The South Carolina Public Service Commission
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Columbia, South Carolina 29211

**RE: Joint Application of J.C. Cox Utilities, Inc., and
JACABB Utilities, LLC, for Approval of Transfer of Assets
Relating to the Wastewater Treatment Facility in Forest
Hills Subdivision (Docket Number: 2005-43-S)**

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Please find enclosed the original and 26 copies of the direct testimony of Steve Goldie in the above-referenced joint application currently on the docket with the Public Service Commission. I have also enclosed the original and one copy of the certificate of service on all interested parties. Please return clocked copies of the expected, direct testimony and the certificate of service to me in the envelope provided.

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Thanking you in advance for your assistance, I remain

Sincerely Yours,

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Enclosures

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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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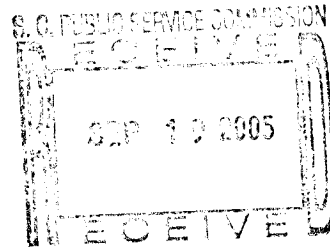
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Joint Application of J.C. Cox Utilities, Inc.,
And JACABB Utilities, LLC, for an Expedited Approval
Of a Transfer of Assets; the Transfer of Operating
Authority; and the Transfer of all Sewer Services Systems,
Without Limitation, Serving Forest Hills Subdivision in
Anderson County, South Carolina

PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF
STEVE GOLDIE



- Q. Please state your name for the record.
- A. Steve Goldie.
- Q. Where do you live Mr. Goldie?
- A. 910 Hopkins Avenue in Pendleton, South Carolina.
- Q. This is in Anderson County?
- A. Yes.
- Q. What is your profession?
- A. I am a civil engineer.
- Q. Do you have a degree?
- A. Yes. I attained a B.S. degree in engineering from the University of South Carolina in 1977.
- Q. Please outline your work history since graduating from the University of South Carolina in 1977.
- A. After graduating in 1977, I worked as an assistant to the City Engineer for the city of Charleston, South Carolina, dealing with streets and drains for approximately six months. Then I worked as an engineer in the Engineering Department for the City of Columbia, South Carolina, for approximately four years. In this capacity, I was involved with the design of water and sewer systems. I then worked with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for about three and one-half years as a permitting engineer in the Solid and Hazardous Waste Division.

I left DHEC to start my own business. This was in 1983. The business is now Goldie and Associates. This is a South Carolina corporation in good standing. I am the president and its sole shareholder. My corporation provides a wide range of engineering services, and its principal office is located in Seneca, South Carolina. The range of services which we provide are engineering, environmental compliance, and laboratory service and includes management of water and wastewater treatment facilities. We are also licensed to provide laboratory testing for both wastewater and drinking water. We also design wastewater treatment facilities and

obtain permits, including environmental permits, for wastewater treatment facilities.

Q. Specifically, what services do you provide for the wastewater treatment facility in the Forest Hills Subdivision owned by J.C. Cox Utilities, Inc.?

A. For the past four years my corporation has been hired by the licensed operator of the wastewater treatment facility in the Forest Hills Subdivision to perform the testing and day-to-day operation of this facility, except for repairs and maintenance.

Q. What is JACABB Utilities, LLC?

A. JACABB is a South Carolina limited liability company which I formed to acquire the wastewater treatment facility in the Forest Hills Subdivision and, it is properly organized and in good standing in South Carolina.

Q. What is your position with JACABB?

A. I am the sole member, managing member, and sole owner of JACABB Utilities, LLC.

Q. Did JACABB Utilities, LLC, enter into an asset purchase agreement to acquire the wastewater treatment facility in the Forest Hills Subdivision from J.C. Cox Utilities, Inc.?

A. Yes. This contract is dated November 30, 2004.

Q. Is an exact copy of this contract attached to your joint application as Attachment "A"?

A. Yes.

Q. As a condition of this contract, is approval by the South Carolina Public Service Commission required?

A. Yes.

Q. Have JACABB Utilities, LLC, and J.C. Cox Utilities, Inc., filed a joint application with the South Carolina Public Service Commission seeking regulatory approval of this contract to transfer the assets of the facility and, also, the authority to operate the wastewater treatment facility?

A. Yes.

Q. Would you briefly state why you feel this request should be granted and approved?

A. Since graduating from the University of South Carolina in 1977, I have been involved in working with public utility systems, their planning and design, and operations. I have worked with several agencies, municipalities, SC DHEC, and as a private consultant. Currently, as the owner of Goldie & Associates and JACABB Utilities, LLC, I am responsible for operating the wastewater treatment facility in Forest Hills Subdivision and numerous other sewer systems that are similar to the system of J.C. Cox Utilities, Inc.. Under my management, I have a licensed staff in place to operate these systems. Also, I manage an engineering staff that has extensive experience in dealing with wastewater compliance issues, the operation of these facilities, and with compliance issues involving the national pollutant discharge elimination systems. Therefore, JACABB has the technical expertise needed.

Financially, I am capable of making the improvements necessary to bring the wastewater treatment system in Forest Hills into compliance with DHEC regulations and to maintain satisfactory service to the customers located in the Forest Hills Subdivision, as evidenced by the financial statements which I have already provided to the Office of Regulatory Staff.

Finally, it is in the best interest of the property owners in Forest Hills Subdivision that the transfer be approved and the authority to operate granted. My company has the expertise to significantly improve their service and to assure the customers of continued service in compliance with all regulations applicable to this system.

Q. Does this conclude your testimony?

A. Yes it does.

Thank you.

MEET GOLDIE & ASSOCIATES

Goldie & Associates (formerly Metro Engineering Consultants) was founded in 1983 by Stephen R. Goldie. From our inception, Goldie & Associates has taken a unique tack providing quality environmental and civil engineering consulting service at a reasonable cost with a strong focus on teamwork. As a result of the quality and integrity of our professional services and commitment to our clients, Goldie & Associates has grown dramatically. Our technical and consulting team includes civil and environmental engineers, hydrogeologists, regulatory and environmental systems operation specialists, chemists, technicians, draftsmen and others covering each highly specialized area of service including a complete selection of laboratory services. These key players work hand-in-hand with our clients creating our unique approach to project management which is the key to our continued success.

All project implementation is conducted under the guidance of a qualified, experienced project manager who, in cooperation with the owner, contractor and regulatory agency, oversees each project through completion.

Goldie & Associates' project managers have a wide variety of expertise including hydrogeology, environmental assessment, regulatory compliance, hazardous and solid waste management, chemistry, environmental, civil and process engineering.

These qualifications allow us to offer a full range of environmental, consulting and engineering design services, as well as support services to industrial, municipal, governmental, and private clients throughout South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia. Our areas of service include:

- ◆ **Engineering Services**
- ◆ **Environmental Compliance Services**
- ◆ **Laboratory Services**

In addition to these services, we also provide environmental field services as well as contract operation and maintenance services for water and wastewater treatment facilities allowing us to provide total project control for each of our clients, keeping you informed each and every step of the way.

As an expanding professional firm, we take great pride in a staff whose individual talents combine to offer a full range of technical and consulting services.



Allow us to provide you with the expertise to research innovative solutions as well as develop and implement practical and proven solutions in a timely manner.

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